

REMARKS

A Terminal Disclaimer was filed on July 16, 2004, to overcome an obviousness-type double patenting rejection based on U.S. Patent 6,692,882. In the Terminal Disclaimer, Konica Minolta was identified as the owner. A Notice of Allowance issued on August 25, 2004.

Applicants' below signed representative has now learned that, at the time of filing the July 16, 2004 Terminal Disclaimer, this Application was owned by Konica Minolta Business Technologies, Inc. (KMBTI), hence, attached is a Terminal Disclaimer in the name of KMBTI.

At all times, both this Application and its parent, now the '882 Patent, were owned by the same entity. A chronology of the ownership of this Application and its parent are outlined below.

On December 5, 2001, the parent Application was filed in the name of Konica Corporation.

On or about April 1, 2003, Konica Corporation established a number of wholly-owned subsidiaries and became a holding company. One of these subsidiaries was Konica Business Technologies Corporation (KBTC), and the parent Application was assigned to KBTC.

On or about August 5, 2003, Konica Corporation acquired Minolta Co., Ltd., and Konica Corporation changed its name to Konica Minolta Holdings, Inc. (KMHI). KMHI continued to own 100% of the interest in KBTC and KBTC continued to own 100% of the interest in the parent Application.

On or about October 1, 2003, KBTC changed its name to Konica Minolta Business Technologies, Inc. (KMBTI). KMBTI continued to own 100% of the interest in the parent Application and KMBTI continued to be wholly-owned by KMHI.

On December 15, 2004, this Application was filed in the U.S. PTO.

On February 16, 2004, the parent Application issued as U.S. Patent 6,692,882.

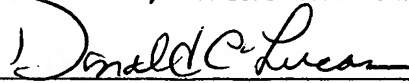
Currently, 100% of the interest in the '882 Patent and 100% of the interest in this Application are owned by KMBTI, and KMBTI is wholly-owned by KMHI. Thus, it is submitted that the attached Terminal Disclaimer is filed in the current name of the owner of this Application and of the '882 Patent.

It is respectfully requested that the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer be filed in this Application. PTO Form 2038 is enclosed herewith authorizing payment of the appropriate Terminal Disclaimer Fee. Should any further fees or extensions of time be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit account #02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,

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